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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: SUPER-POWER AFRICAN POLICY

1. AMERICA'S PEACE EFFORTS ARE PRAISED AT THE SAME TIME THE SOVIET UNION'S "DESTABILIZATION STRATEGY" IS CONDEMNED IN A FRONT PAGE COLUMN BY EDITORIAL WRITER KITAMBALA KULUBITCH, COMMENTING ON AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS IN KINSHASA'S FRENCH-LANGUAGE DAILY "SALONGO" AUGUST 16.

2. ASSISTANT EDITOR KULUBITCH NOTES THAT AT A TIME WHEN THE SOVIET UNION IS ENGAGED IN THE DESTABILIZATION OF REGIMES WHICH WOULDN'T BUY ITS IDEOLOGY, THE U.S. SENATE'S DECISION AGAINST UNCONDITIONAL LIFTING OF AMERICAN ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ON RHODESIA IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD SOLVING THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM. HE ADDS: "AFRICANS CAN CONSIDER THE AMERICAN MOVE AS A CONDEMNATION OF THE PRESENT RHODESIAN REGIME".

3. "THE AMERICAN DECISION", CONTINUES MR. KULUBITCH, "IS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE OAU AND BRITISH POSITION, ACCORDING TO WHICH A PEACEFUL SOLUTION IN RHODESIA IS POSSIBLE ONLY IF IT IS WORKED OUT BY ALL THE
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PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT.

4. MR. KULUBITCH CONCLUDES COMMENTARY BY EXPRESSING SATISFACTION OVER THE FACT THAT THE U.S. HAS BEEN SEARCHING FOR WAYS TO SOLVE SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS, INSTEAD OF DESTABILIZING THE CONTINENT AS THE SOVIET UNION IS DOING. ITEM.

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